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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
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Dear Examiner:

This communication is in response to the Office Action dated May 4, 2005, that was made final. Please amend the claims as shown in the Listing and consider the following Remarks.

Listing of Claims begins on page 2 of this communication.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this communication.